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SUB-URBAN RAILWAY STATIONS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the special programme of beautification of sub-urban railway stations started by the Government has been completed;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (c): The work of the beautification of stations, including sub-urban stations is a continuous process on Indian Railways. Every year, Railway undertake works for improvement to the circulating area of stations, improvement to booking windows, improvements to the area near the platforms, improvement to subways, improvement to station building etc. for beautification of the stations complex depending upon the availability of funds and inter-se priorities of works.

Further, 137 small gardens have been developed at the ends of platforms on Mumbai Division of Central & Western Railway, for beautifying the suburban stations & avoiding encroachments. However, all the efforts have not been very fruitful due to nuisance caused by slum dwellers all along the sections on Mumbai Division.